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SUBJECT: LONG BORET'S PLANS

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1. CONCUR ENTIRELY REGARDING REAL VALUE OF LONG BORET'S PRESENCE IN NEW YORK AND INABILITY OF KEUKY LIM TO FILL HIS SHOES. UNFORTUNATELY, THE SAME QUALITIES THAT MAKE PRIME MINISTER'S PRESENCE ESSENTIAL IN NEW YORK -- ESPECIALLY HIS ABILITY TO TAKE DECISIONS --MAKE IT DESIREABLE THAT HE BE IN PHNOM PENH TO COPE WITH PROBLEMS HERE.

2. WOULD RECOMMEND THAT AT TIME IT BECOMES KNOWN WHEN KHMER CREDENTIALS CHALLENGE IS LIKELY TO COME UP, DECISION BE MADE REGARDING HIS STAYING IN NEW YORK OR RETURNING HERE. IF CHALLENGE ONLY A WEEK OR TWO AWAY, HE SHOULD OBVIOUSLY STAY IN NEW YORK TO LEAD FIGHT. HOWEVER, IF CHALLENGE NOT LIKELY TO OCCURE FOR MORE THAN TWO WEEKS, HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO RETURN TO PHNOM PENH TO SPEND A WEEK ASSISTING WITH PROBLEMS HERE AND THEN RETURN TO NEW YORK. USUN SHOULD INFORM LONG BORET THAT WE CAN GET HIM TO BANGKOK ON VERY SHORT NOTICE TO CATCH A PLANE FOR NEW YORK SO HE SHOULD NOT BE CONCERNED THAT TRAVEL DELAYS WOULD BE A FACTOR.

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